

BIBLE READINGS for - June/July

Day	Psalm	1 st Reading	2 nd Reading
Mon.	29 th 71	Isaiah 49:1-6	Acts 11:1-18
Tues.	30 th 73	Job 28	Romans 12:1-8
Wed.	1 st 77	Job 29	Romans 12:9-end
Thurs.	2 nd 78:1-39	Job 30	Romans 13:1-7
Fri.	3 rd 92	2 Samuel 15:17-21	John 11:1-16
Sat.	4 th 76	Job 32	Romans 14:1-12

Points for Praise and Prayer

- Today is marked in the church's calendar as Peter-tide. It is customarily a time of ordination, so let us thank God for all those who are this day being ordained as Deacon or Priest in the church of Christ. Pray especially for Rob Ryan and the other ten candidates who were ordained as Priests yesterday, in Rochester Cathedral.
- Let us give thanks for Saints Peter and Paul; possibly the greatest apostles in the history of the church. However, let us also thank the Lord for all people whose life and work inspires others to a change of heart, or give life direction by encouraging a meaningful relationship with the God of creation and time.
- Remember Claire Coleman on this the day of her commissioning for ministry with OM in Central Asia, commencing on the 1st September. Claire finished her paid employment last Friday, and will be spending most of her remaining days in the UK making final preparations. Pray that her expected monthly support of £560 will be met before the end of August.
- Let us remember John Saunders (former Vicar), whose mother died early last week, following surgery which proved too much of a strain on her heart.
- Praying for the 'Persecuted Church'. Pray strength for the ethnic Kazakh Church which is very young and mostly made up of believers from a Muslim background. The church faces challenges from restrictive government policies and suspicion from the non-Christian population. Pray that the Lord will dispel fears among the unbelievers, and that the witness of the church will draw many more to faith.
- Pray for our Mission Partner for the month of July, Lynne Martin, working with Friends International as part of the Paisley Development Group. Please look out for recent news and prayer points on the Missions Board.

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The Weekly News-sheet for St. Mark's Church, Gillingham
with St. Mary's Island Church (a Local Ecumenical Partnership)

A Mission Shaped Church

Connecting people with Jesus

PRAYER FOR TODAY

Almighty God,
you have broken the tyranny of sin
and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts
whereby we call you Father:
give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service,
that we and all creation may be brought
to the glorious liberty of the children of God;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. Amen

Mission Partner focus for this Sunday - Claire Coleman
Please look out for information about Claire on the screen

Today's Services

Third Sunday after Trinity

10.30am: Holy Communion

6.30 pm: Prayer Service

Reflection: Tony Williams

Reading: Jeremiah 29: 7-14

Led by Terry Whittaker

Matthew 19: 16-26

Theme: 'Drink, Drugs & Jesus'

Other services today: 11.00 am - Family Service at St Mary's Island Church

WELCOME TO ST. MARK'S

If you are new to St. Mark's we hope that you enjoy your time of worship here with us today and that you will want to come back again next week. Please pick up a Welcome Leaflet from the back which has information about all the regular activities.

Except for the first Sunday of the month during term time, groups for children and young teenagers meet at the Old Vicarage each Sunday morning from 10.20 am. All children (except the under 5's) are escorted back down to Church at the end of the morning. There is usually a crèche for babies in the Church Vestry during the morning service. All our Youth Workers and helpers are CRB checked through the diocese for your child's protection and safety.

What's on this week at St Mark's

- Monday 29th** 10.00 am - 12.00 pm - Coffee Shop in Church
7.30 pm - 9.15 pm - Landmark (14's-18's) - Old Vicarage
'Your photos with Mr. T! - and meditation led by Rachel and JT'
- Tuesday 30th** 8.00 pm - Home Groups
8.00 pm - GYFC meeting - Old Vicarage
- Wednesday 1st July** 9.00 am - Service of Holy Communion - Church
10.00 am - Ladies Group - Old Vicarage
'Coffee, prayer and Praise'
1.15 - 2.45 pm - Parent and Toddler Group - Vicarage Hall
7.00 pm - 9.00 pm - Faith and Light - Vicarage Hall
- Thursday 2nd** 9.30 am - GYFC prayers - Old Vicarage
7.45 - 9.15 pm - Narcotics Anonymous - Old Vicarage
- Friday 3rd** 6.15 - 7.30 pm - Kidz Klub (7-11's) - Old Vicarage
- Next Sunday - 5th July** 10.30 am - All Age Family Worship with Ministry Fair
6.30 pm - Holy Communion

Monday - Friday during term time - 9.30 am - 12.15 pm - Playgroup

Dates for your diary.....

- Tuesday 7th July - Pastoral Leadership Team meeting - Old Vicarage
Saturday 11th July - Beetle Drive in Vicarage Hall - see opposite
Sunday 12th July - Commissioning of the team going to Bufukhula, Uganda from the 6th to 22nd August.
Monday 13th July - MTG meeting - Garden House
Tuesday 14th July - Interactive Monthly Prayer Meeting - Old Vicarage
Sunday 19th July - Family Fun Day - Riverside Country Park
Monday 20th July - PCC Meeting
Saturday 8th - Thursday 13th August - Detling Summer Conference
- see opposite

Pam will be away 29th June - 2nd July



Fun fundraising evening for Uganda team

Vicarage Hall, Saturday 11th July
6.30 pm for prompt start at 7.00pm

Tables of 6, bring own drinks and nibbles

Fish and Chip supper - *'best fish and chips in Gillingham!'*

£7.50 per adult, children 9 and under free

Tickets available from Lesley Boast or Gary Atkins



Detling Summer Conference

'Nothing is Impossible'

Worship, Teaching, Family, Fun

August 8th - 13th 2009

Kent County Showground,

Detling, Kent

Phone: 0870 901 7777

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Members of St Marks will be sad to hear that John Saunders' mother passed away on Friday 19th June 2009. Her funeral will take place in Newton Longville on Tuesday

Our thoughts and prayers are with John and Judith and the rest of the family at this time.

Interactive Prayer Meeting

Tuesday 14th July

8.00 pm at The Old Vicarage

Could you give up to an hour to pray for Coffee Shop on Monday mornings??

Please speak to Karen after church or ring her on 01634 572632

Look out for the devotional booklet **Word for Today**

coming to St Marks again soon
If you would like to have it sent direct to your home please pick up a form at the back of church.

Please sign up at the back of church for the

Summer Drop - in for children

Thursdays during August outside church, 10.30 am - 12.30 pm

Cleaner required

for Old Vicarage start September 2 hours Tuesday mornings

Also, volunteer wanted to maintain cleanliness of the brass in church

Contact Pam on 570489 if genuinely interested

